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Further, because all the documents are in the English language, no concise explanation of their relevancy is necessary, as pointed out in 37 CFR §1.98 (3)(I).

Inasmuch as the subject application has not yet received a first Office Action on the merits, this information is believed to be timely filed under 37 CFR §1.97(b)(3). Accordingly, consideration of the enclosed references is deemed proper, and is therefore respectfully requested.

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